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The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland, Mississippi, met in Regular Session at the Waveland City Hall Boardroom, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS. on December 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. to take action on the following matters of City business.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Smith noted for the record the presence, of Aldermen Burke, Richardson, and Lafontaine also present City Clerk Mickey Lagasse and City Attorney Malcom Jones (All via teleconference)

Absent from the meeting Alderman Piazza

MAYOR'S REPORT

Re: The City received \$228,255.77 in sales tax proceeds. The Mayor noted an increase of 16% as compared to this time the previous year.

Re: The City received \$150,724.20 in CARES Act Money.

Re: City Clerk Mr. Lagasse updated the Board on debris removal, noting that 76,433 yards of vegetative debris had been removed. Earlier in the day Mr. Lagasse said there was a meeting held where the City expressed its dissatisfaction with the current status of the debris removal.

Re: Earlier in the day the Mardi Gras Krewe of Nereids announced the cancellation of their annual parade, due to an increase in Covid-19 cases.

Re: Mayor expressed his wishes for the elevation of the Beach Boulevard, that would act as a levy system for the City.

Re: The entry to the Pier receives damage during each storm.

Re: Discussed the proposed expansion of the cemetery that would include the purchase of property from CSX Company.

Re: As of today, there has been no Federal Declaration for Hurricane Zeta.

Re: The Mayor said that he and City Clerk Lagasse would be going to Jackson to discuss various issues in Waveland.

ALDERMEN'S COMMENTS

Re: Alderman Burke

- Alderman Burke discussed the cleaning of debris, noting that citizens have the ability to use King Landfill to dispose of their own debris, if needed.
- Expressed concern regarding the purchase of additional land for the extension of the cemetery.

MAYOR'S REPORT (CONT.)

Re: The Mayor discussed Solid Waste proposals and gave Alderman Burke the floor.

- Alderman Burke discussed pre-event debris removal proposal that would include the entire County.
- Discussed the proposed cancellation of the Waveland Civic Association 2021 parade.

Re: Alderman Richardson

- Inquired about the timeline for the completion of the Nicholson Avenue sidewalk project.
- Discussed the grinder pumps that are currently placed on private property within the City of Waveland.

Re: Alderman Lafontaine

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- Requested an audit of the stop signs as the Debris Removers pass through the streets of Waveland and requested they be replaced as they are knocked down.
- Noted issues with manholes on Waveland Avenue.

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

Re: No Comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Re: Mr. Jim Meggett

PLANNING AND ZONING) (EXHIBIT A)

Re: Daniel Street, Parcel #137P-2-35-053.000, Represented Randy Ellis

Randy Ellis, representative for the owner of the property Parcel # 137P-2-35-053.000 which is located on Daniel Street but not yet addressed; Legal Description: Lots 37 & 38, Block 15, Bat St. Louis Land & Improvement Company Subdivision, Waveland, Mississippi, is requesting the following variances from Minimum Side Yards Twelve feet, 6 inches (12'6") as described in Section 713.3(C) Side Yard. "For a lot of record, which qualifies pursuant to Section 402.3 as legally non-conforming and which measures fifty (50) feet or less in width, the Zoning Official is authorized to grant a variance of side yard minimum footage to allow a side yard setback equal to, but not less than, twenty-five percent (25%) of the lot width. Said action may be taken without notice to or action by the Planning and Zoning Commission or the Board of Mayor and Aldermen." The Side Yard Setback for a fifty (50) foot lot is twelve and a half (12'5") feet. The applicant is requesting a four-foot, six-inch (4'6") variance from each side yard requirement resulting in both side yards being eight (8) feet.

Commissioner Harris made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Watson to recommend approval of the requested variance and the Commission finds that the criteria for a variance as stated in in Section 906.1 of the current Zoning Ordinance had been met. Commissioners Adams, Harris and Watson voted in favor of the motion. Chairman Meggett declared the motion approved.

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission and approve the request as submitted, making a finding that all requirements under the Planning and Zoning Commission were met.

During discussion Mayor Smith asked if there were any Public Comments against the request, no one was present to discuss.

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, & Lafontaine

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Piazza

CONSENT AGENDA (a -r)

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the consent agenda being Items a-r.

INVOICES/NICHOLSON AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Re: Invoice 217-043-31 from Compton Engineering – Nicholson Avenue Project

- a. Approve invoice 217-043-31 from Compton engineering in the amount of \$13,975.34 - Nicholson Avenue Improvements Project. **(EXHIBIT B)**

DOCKET OF CLAIMS

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Re: Claims

- b. Approve the Docket of Claims paid and unpaid in the amount of \$695,468.73 dated December 16, 2020 as submitted. **(EXHIBIT C)**

PRIVILEGE LICENSE REPORT

Re: Month of November 2020

- c. Approve the Privilege License Report for the Month of November 2020, as submitted. **(EXHIBIT D)**

PERMITS REPORT

Re: Report for the Month of November 2020

- d. Approve the Permits Report for the Month of November 2020, as submitted. **(EXHIBIT E)**

COURT DEPARTMENT

Re: Report for the Month of November 2020

- e. Approve the Court Statistics Report for the Month of November 2020 as submitted **(EXHIBIT F)**

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Re: Regular Meeting of November 18, 2020

- f. Approve the Meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 18, 2020, as submitted.

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Re: Special Meeting of November 23, 2020

- g. Approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 23, 2020, as submitted.

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Re: Regular Meeting of December 1, 2020

- h. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 1, 2020, as submitted.

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Re: Special Meeting of December 2, 2020

- i. Approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of December 2, 2020, as submitted.

PERSONNEL/STREETS DEPARTMENT/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Re: New Hire Spencer Stephan Clinton as a Laborer in Street's Department

- j. Approve new hire Mr. Spencer Stephan Clinton as a Laborer in the Street's Department at a rate of \$11.00 per hour, pending passage of drug test.

PURCHASING/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Re: Authorize Chris Bennett to sign Purchase Orders for Public Works Department

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- k. Authorize Chris Bennett to sign Purchase Orders for the Public Works Department as requested by Bo Humphrey.

HANCOCK COUNTY TOURISM/TOURISM-HANCOCK COUNTY

Re: Hancock County Tourism Financial Statement

- l. Spread on the minutes, the Hancock County Tourism Financial Report.
(EXHIBIT G)

MUSEUM/CIVIC CENTER/SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE EXHIBIT

Re: Smithsonian Institute Exhibit postponed July 2021

- m. Spread on the minutes the postponement of the Smithsonian Institute Exhibit until July 2021, this due to the rising Covid-19 cases.

STATE OF EMERGENCY/COVID-10/CORONAVIRUS

Re: Continue Covid-19/Coronavirus

- n. Continue the Local State of Emergency from March 18th, 2020 as it is related to Covid-19 (Coronavirus).

STATE OF EMERGENCY/HURRICANE ZETA/ZETA-HURRICANE/STATE OF EMERGENCY

Re: Continue Local State of Emergency for Hurricane Zeta

- o. Continue the Local State of Emergency as it is related to Hurricane Zeta.

PERSONNEL/POLICE DEPARTMENT

Re: Resignation of Officers Adam Penton and Devin Bates

- p. Spread the resignation of Police Officers Adam Penton and Devin Bates their last day of employment will be December 23,2020.

PERSONNEL/POLICE DEPARTMENT

Re: Move Officer Micheal Decells from part-time to full-time position

- q. Move Michael Decella from part-time to a full time Police Officer at a pay rate of \$16.35 hour. He is academy certified and has 8 years of experience.

TIDELANDS/DERELICT PIERS/BI-ANNUAL TIDELANDS REPORTS/HANDICAP ACCESS WALKAWAY/BEACH PAGODAS/PAGODAS-BEACH

Re: Approve submission and authorize Mayor's signature on Bi-Annual Tidelands Report

- r. Approve the submission of the Bi-Annual Tidelands Report, and authorize the Mayor's signature thereon, for the following being listed (Items 1-3):
- 1.Remove Derelict Piers-FY2019-P646-04 **(EXHIBIT H)**
 - 2.Handicap Access Walkway-FU20-P646-01 **(EXHIBIT I)**
 - 3.Beach Pagodas – FY21-P646-03 **(EXHIBIT J)**

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, & Lafontaine

Voting Nay: None

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Absent: Piazza

END CONSENT AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Re: Consider/Enter a closed door session

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to consider/enter a closed-door session as related to the Waveland Avenue Sidewalk Project that could involve prospective litigation and could compromise the City's strategy for litigation.

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, & Lafontaine

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Piazza

Re: Exit Executive Session

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Richardson to exit Executive Session, with no action taken.

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, & Lafontaine

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Piazza

ADJOURN

Re: Adjourn Meeting at 8:50

Alderman Burke moved, seconded by Alderman Lafontaine to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

A vote was called for with the following results

Voting Yea: Burke, Richardson, & Lafontaine

Voting Nay: None

Absent: Piazza

The foregoing minutes were presented to Mayor Smith on January 6, 2020.

James M. Lagasse
City Clerk

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 16, 2020 have been read and approved by me on this, the 6th day of January 2021.

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Mike Smith
Mayor